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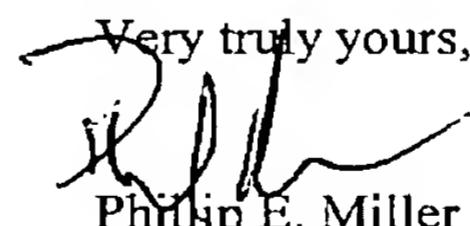
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Re: Enclosed § 1.116 Amendment
 U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/020,460
 Our Ref: NGB.142

Dear Examiner Crane:

Pursuant to our telephone conversation today, enclosed is the Amendment, responsive to the June 15, 2004 Office Action, which should place the above-referenced case in condition for allowance.

Thank you in advance for your consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,

 Philip E. Miller

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